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## ***Memorandum***

TO: Advisory Council

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RE: Staff Liaison Report

### State Budget

The Administration's May Revision of the FY 2008-09 state budget calls for shifting approximately \$1.4 billion in public transit funds to the General Fund in an effort to balance the state General Fund.

If imposed, these cuts to public transit would be on top of a \$1.3 billion diversion of state funds to the General Fund in the prior fiscal year, for a total loss over the two-year period of approximately \$2.7 billion of transit dollars badly needed for service and other improvements. These tax dollars are derived from the sales tax on motor vehicle fuel, the exact same tax that voters overwhelmingly approved — twice — to direct to transportation (Proposition 42 in 2002 and Proposition 1A in 2006).

For additional details of the budget transfer and the affected Bay Area transit agencies, visit MTC's website - [http://www.mtc.ca.gov/legislation/budget/web\\_summary\\_historic-5-08.pdf](http://www.mtc.ca.gov/legislation/budget/web_summary_historic-5-08.pdf)

### Packet Attachments

Included in the packet are the following materials:

- Agenda Item 6 – *Information* – Staff memo providing an update on TransLink® (to be sent prior to meeting)
- Agenda Item 7 – *Information* – Executive Summary from the Integrated Fare Study
- Agenda Item 8 – *Information and Discussion* – Staff memo and attachments detailing the draft results of the Transportation 2035 Project Performance Assessment. Slides from staff powerpoint to be presented at the meeting are also attached.
- Agenda Item 9 – *Information and Discussion* – Draft definition of sustainable transportation, draft guiding principles for sustainable transportation and draft recommendations to the Commission from Advisory Council's Sustainable Transportation Subcommittee
- Agenda Item 10 – *Information and Discussion* – Summary from Advisory Council's Transportation Economics and Pricing Subcommittee, as well as two related news articles